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<u>In Re Application of</u>	July 29, 2005
<u>T. Engbersen, et al</u>	Group Art No. 2665
<u>Serial No. 09/991,295</u>	Examiner: Toan Nguyen
<u>Filed: / November 21, 2001</u>	for IBM Corporation
Title: SWITCHING NODES AND INTERFACE MODULES FOR DATA NETWORKS	Anne Vachon Dougherty 3173 Cedar Road Yorktown Heights, New York 10598

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 5, 2005 for
the above-identified patent application, Applicants submit
the following:

Amendments to the Claims as set forth in the Listing of
Claims which begins on page 6; and

Remarks/Arguments which begin on page 16.

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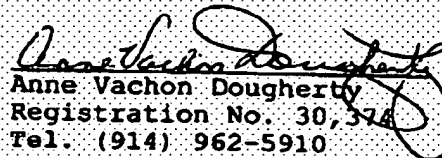
inserted into newly-presented independent Claims 16 and 17 which are believed to be allowable. Claims 13-15, which parallel Claims 2-3 and 6 which depend from Claim 4, have been added, to depend from allowable Claim 5.

Applicants believe that the amendment places all remaining claims in condition for allowance. Entry of the amendments and issuance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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